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Panther Sports News

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Previewing the Week (April 24-30)

Wednesday, April 24	BASEBALL hosts Southern Illinois (1:00, Monier Field)
Thursday, April 25	Women's Tennis at Gateway Conference Championship (Peoria)
Friday, April 26	SOFTBALL hosts Western Illinois (2:30, Softball Field) Men's Track at Drake Relays Women's Track at Becky Boone Relays (Richmond, KY) Men's Tennis at Mid-Continent Championship (Chicago) Women's Tennis at Gateway Conference Championship (Peoria)
Saturday, April 27	BASEBALL hosts Northern Iowa (1:00, Monier Field) SOFTBALL hosts Bradley (2:30, Softball Field) Men's Track at Drake Relays Women's Track at Becky Boone Relays (Richmond, KY) Men's Tennis at Mid-Continent Championship (Chicago) Women's Tennis at Gateway Conference Championship (Peoria)
Sunday, April 28	BASEBALL hosts Northern Iowa (1:00, Monier Field)
Monday, April 29	Softball at Evansville
Tuesday, April 30	Softball at Ball State

REVIEWING THE WEEKEND (April 20-21)

MEN'S TRACK: The Panthers dominated the annual EIU Pepsi Challenge Invitational with 17 different individuals placing 23 times within the top six of 20 events.

JIM LAIL (Dolton-Thornridge), junior weightman, competed in four events with seconds in both the shot put (56-6) and the discus (167-0) . . . he was also fourth in the javelin with a throw of 174-1, the first time he has competed in that event . . . Lail also threw the hammer 154-8 to finish eighth.

LARRY THOENNISSEN (Morton), junior weightman, placed in the top four of three events setting an EIU record with a 181-5 hammer throw . . . he was second . . . the old record was 179-8 set last year by Rick Francis . . . Thoennissen also was fourth in both the shot put (55-3) and the discus (156-9).

CLAUDE MAGEE (Clermont, FL), senior sprinter, won the 200 dash in a meet record 20.7 wind-aided time . . . that was just shy of his school record 20.68 time . . . he also ran a 48.1 anchor leg of the 4 x 400 relay which was second.

JIM MATON (Shelbyville), freshman middle distance runner, won the 1500 in 3:56.2, ran third in the 800 in 1:57.1 and had a 51.8 split running a leg of the 4 x 400 relay which was second in 3:19.9.

DALE RIGHTER (Mattoon), freshman distance runner, was third in the 3000 steeplechase in 9:40.73, and fifth in the 5000 run in 15:58.6.

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TED THOMPSON (Northbrook-Glenbrook North), sophomore distance runner, was fifth in the 3000 steeplechase in 10:04.41 and 6th in the 5000 run in 16:01.6.

MITCH MCCLURE (Paxton-Parkland CC), senior distance runner, won the 3000 steeplechase in 9:32.38.

SCOTT PILLSBURY (Petersburg-Porta/Lincoln Land CC), senior distance runner, won the 5000 in 15:18.1.

BASEBALL: The Panthers swept four games from the Western Illinois Leathernecks, 5-3, 8-7, 6-5 and 5-2, boosting their overall record to 24-11-1 with a perfect 4-0 mark in the Mid-Continent . . . Eastern hosts AMCU-8 opponent Northern Iowa in a pair of doubleheaders this weekend . . . the Panthers and Bears of Southwest Missouri are tied for first, each with 4-0 records.

MONTY ALDRICH (Louisville-Olney CC), senior centerfielder, was 6-12 at-bat in the four games with a homer and four runs batted in . . . Aldrich continues to lead the team with a .389 batting average . . . he has 42-108, seven doubles, two triples, five homers and 24 runs batted in.

TERRY MCDEVITT (Charleston) was 5-13 and boosted his average to .297 . . . he is 27-91 overall with six doubles and 17 RBIs, and is fielding .933.

BERNIE HOLLAND (Olympia Fields-Thornwood), sophomore designated hitter, drove in five runs in the weekend series to increase his team high figure to 32 . . . he is batting .309 overall with 29-94, nine doubles, a triple and six homers.

KEVIN SMITH (Peoria-Richwoods), junior rightfielder, was 5-12 with four runs scored over the weekend . . . he now has upped his season average to .286 on 32-112 with seven doubles, five homers and 21 RBIs.

KENDALL SNYDER (Raymond-Lincolnwood/Lincoln Land CC), junior first baseman, had a base hit to drive in the winning run from second in the bottom of the seventh in Sunday's 6-5 first game victory . . . Snyder is hitting .324 with 29 RBIs . . . he is 36-111 with nine doubles and three homers.

PAUL SKORUPA (Barrington), junior righthander, increased his won-lost record to 3-0 by hurling 1 2/3 innings of shutout relief pitching in an 8-7 victory Saturday . . . he struck out three and walked just one.

MIKE STEINKAMP (Lincoln), junior righthander, boosted his record to 4-2 with 1 2/3 innings of relief pitching in Sunday's 6-5 victory . . . he allowed just one hit and gave up a walk in this short stint . . . he has a 5.09 ERA overall with 10 strikeouts and 10 walks in 35 1/3 innings.

BRIAN CORN (Elgin), freshman righthander, had the only complete game in the four game series as he gained his fourth victory against two defeats in the 5-3 victory on Saturday . . . he pitched seven innings and allowed three earned runs, six hits, eight strikeouts and two walks . . . overall he has a 3.18 ERA with 43 strikeouts in 39 2/3 innings.

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL: The Lady Panthers (17-14, 3-7) placed second at the EIU Invitational after dropping a disappointing 1-0 verdict to DePaul in the title game. Eastern placed first in pool play with wins over DePaul (3-0) and Ball State (4-0). EIU Panthers also defeated Ball State 4-0 in the semi-finals to reach the championship.

SHELLY EDDINGTON (Brighton/Southwestern), senior pitcher/designated hitter, is second on the team in hitting with a .380 average. She clubbed three triples in the EIU Invitational to send her team-leading total to five. As a pitcher, she owns an 8-8 record and hasn't allowed an earned run in her last 29 innings on the mound. Eddington leads the club in runs scored (14) and is second in hits (30) and RBI (13).

ANGEL LENDVAY (Mundelein), freshman outfielder, is among the league leaders in hitting with a .400 average. The hard-hitting inspirational leader of the team leads the Lady Panthers in hits (36), RBI (15) and doubles (4). She has been among the Gateway Conference's top five hitters all season. Lendvay drove in two crucial runs in Eastern's 4-0 semi-final win over Ball State at the EIU Invitational.

SARA KARCHER (Wayne City), freshman short stop, is third on the team in hitting with a .282 average. Her 24 hits is third on the squad; she paces the team in walks with 10 and is second in runs scored with 12.

TANGI WALDROP (Robinson), senior catcher, has raised her average to a respectable .274 in the past week. She has collected at least one hit in eight of her last nine games. Waldrop is fourth on the team in hits with 23.

BRENDA JACKSON (Lyons/Morton West), freshman outfielder, drove in a crucial run with a timely double to enable EIU to defeat DePaul 4-0 in the EIU Invitational semi-final.

ZAM MOGILL (Streator), freshman pitcher, leads the Lady Panthers pitching staff with a 9-6 record. She threw back-to-back shutouts against Ball State and DePaul in the EIU Invitational. Mogill leads the team in ERA (0.60), strikeouts (69), and complete games (15).

WOMEN'S TRACK: Eastern hosted the EIU-Pepsi Challenge Track Meet this weekend at O'Brien Stadium. No teams scores were kept while 13 teams competed in the meet.

JANINE JARRIS (St. Charles), sophomore middle-distance runner, placed third in the 1500 meter run (4:47.3) and the 800 meter dash (2:15.7). She was EIU's top performer in the two-day meet.

BARBARA REED (Phoenix/Thornridge), freshman sprinter, placed second in the 200 meter dash with a 25.1. Her time was the fastest outdoor time by a member of the squad this season.

TRACY OLAWUMI (Blue Island/Eisenhower), freshman long sprinter, finished third in the 400 meter dash with a clocking of 58.4. She missed her personal best 0.6 second set in a dual meet against Indiana State earlier this season.

VALETA STRICKLAND (Chicago/South Shore), sophomore thrower, placed second in the shot put with a toss of 45-1 3/4. It was the second best toss ever in school annals.

DEB ZUBIK (Calumet City/Thornwood), sophomore thrower, finished third in the shot put with a 44-9 1/2 effort.